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Hebrews Ch 10 vs. 26.

For if we sin willfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins.

The word willfully means: voluntarily. The word apostasy means an abandoning of what one has believed in as a faith or cause (**A sin that is deliberate**).

Hebrews Ch 6 vs. 4-6.

For it is impossible for those who were once **enlightened**, and have **tasted** of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have **tasted** the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come,

The word **tasted** means to experience or to understand.

If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put *him* to an open shame.

We have to look at the people that Paul is speaking to in this letter. These people were delivered from Judaism, but some have fallen back into this same state after being taught the biblical truths about Christ's atoning work. It applies to believers in the same way. This is a heart matter (Heb. 3 vs. 12).

How can we know you are **enlightened**?

John Ch 8 vs. 31.

Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on Him, if ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed. Jesus is the only plan of salvation and to fall away after you have been **enlightened** is saying that the blood that Christ shed is of none effect.

Psalms Ch 19 vs. 8.

The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart. The commandment of the Lord is pure or beloved, **enlightening** the eyes.

Eph Ch 1 vs. 18.

The eyes of your understanding being **enlightened**; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling and the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the Saints.

Knowledge of truth - The word knowledge means to discern or acknowledgment of the truth. Christ said they word is truth. What truth? That salvation is by Christ.

Remain no more sacrifice for sins.

There is only one Sacrifice that can atone for sin. The daily sacrifice did not cease at the death of Christ, it is continued to the destruction of Jerusalem. **Christ will die no more. His blood will not be shed again. Christ's sacrifice will not be repeated.**

Acts Ch 4 vs. 12.

Neither is there salvation in any other, for there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved.

People that have fallen away from the truth after receiving it have deliberately rejected the Only Atonement for Sin. This is like rejecting the medicine that could have healed you.